Rec Oct 22nd

Dallas. October 18th 1878.

Geo. Engelmann M.D.
St Louis.

Dear Sir

Doct. A. Gray will have
correspond since last year about
botany has referring me to you for
several class of plants. for a long
time I had a great desire to corresp-
ond with you; but I have been so
hard pressed day work that I had hardly
any time this year to pay any
attention to the study of plants. to-
day I hope I will have more time
to spare, therefore I ask you the permis-
to send you a few specimens for
identification: ~~to~~

along with that letter you will recd
a package containing only two specimen
of grapes. the one perfectly smooth I
consider to be Cordifolia. the other I

believe is Ostiolate. The first one is always smooth in all its parts and the berry or shining small, and often dried enough. The other is more or less pubescent in all its parts. The long bunch is generaly thicker and the berry are oblong. Do some life but coated with a distinct bloom and always sweeter both kinds grow together, but the latter generaly is more abundant in dark and rich places than the former. Its parts very often in very poor and rocky soils.

I will be under a great obligation to you if you can tell me if the two are distinct species or only varieties of one species? it is of some importance to me that I must know positively what is the true Condylon?

I have a few others plants that I think you would be kind enough to examine, I will send them to you

as soon as I will have that I am
not too much in your way.

I am going to botanizing on a
large scale in Texas next year and
I will (if agreeable to you) sent you
specimens and seeds.

being a stranger and not very familiar
with the english language, you will
please excuse a few mistakes.

Very respectfully and truly
Yours.

J. Reverchon,

Dallas, Dallas Co. Texas.

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Rec'd Dec 21
Ans Dec 24

Dallas Dec. 17th. 1878.
Texas

Dear Dr. Engelmann
St Louis Mo.

I have been a long time before answering your kind letter of Oct. 22d. but I have been troubled with work and my little collection is not ready yet. I will send better specimen of grapes next year. fruit and all. the species growing in this county on the following I carefully named by me. vitis cordifolia. v. aestivalis var. cinerea and var. Linsecumii. v. Candicans and probably vitis riparia. We have also vitis vulpina, vitis simata & indivisa. four for the quercus. q. nigra L. q. coccinea Wang. - q. obtusiloba, Mx. - q. prinoides, Will. - q. macrocarpa, Mx. - q. castanea Will. and 2 species not well determined by me in regard to the quercus virens and vitis rupestris.

I have determined thirteen species of cornus. as alternifolia, amara, tomentosa

Bates then are certainly other species
and I made to-day (on you a set mts.
1 from Dalles Co. I have not seen the three
2. corya ~~avata~~ tomentosa probably
3 from Van Zandt Co. called. 1877. aquatica
4 corya amara myristiæformis
5. 2 forms or species from Van Zandt. call. 1877.
6 several forms of Quercoides porcina

I have 10 specimens (leaves or flowers) of. no
1. 3. and 5. and if you can name them by
the mail I will be very thankfull you
can give the names
next season I will pay special attention
to these trees.

Hoping to hear from you pretty
soon I remain
truly yours.
G. Reverchon

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Rec Febr 7th

Dallas. Feb. 1st. 1879.

Doct. J. Engelmann

St Louis.

Dear sir —

I mail today a package of dried plants that you will please name for me. some have name that I inspect are not correct and the rest got no name at all. there seems to be a great many species of Cuscuta, unfortunately I am not provided with good many specimens I sent what I could find on my herbarium I hope you to give special attention to them. in fatar; here is the list of specimen sent.

1. Cuscuta, found in dry prairies.

2 — collected in Fort Worth June 1877. in dry prairies parasite on acacia.

3. — parasite on iva ciliata in swampy places

4 — in swamps, on baccharis etc

5 — on iva ciliata, in low grounds.

6. — on a species of acacia collected in Brown County, Aug. 10th. 1877.

7 — in swamps on Ceptakanthus. tell

8 — in swamps. on Dianthera.

9 isolate — on mads but not floating. Burford's spring. near Dallas. June 1877.

10. fuscus nodosus var. texanus

11 — — var. megastachyus.

season. to be very distinct species.

12 (umbelliferae) on dry prairies. May. 1876.

13 (—) south of the Trinity rivers. ⊙

April. 1876.

14 Quercus cinerea —

15 — var. — among the poor soil. does not

seem the flowers neither the fruit very sure.

16. Carya amara (~~Engelmanni~~ myristiciformis

(of Dod. Engelmann) ~~not~~

17 Lechmeria — very different of Cynanchum

although given under that name.

18 Celtis. (Hackeberg.) with a the true

name?

19 Euphorbiaceae — found on the cedar swamp

of the Brazos (Palo pinto Co) the 18th

of August 1877. in light. salted soil.

20. Euphorbia — sandy soil, Weatherford

aug. 20th. 1877.

21 Chenopodium boscianum.

22 Chenapodium — album.

23 polygonacea — in waters. June 1877.

24 — amphibium, var. mahlenbergii — a —
tall, fine species, growing along the waters.

25 — found in the bed of west fork of Trinity
at Fort Worth. June 22d. 1877.

26 — Waters and damp places. seems to be O.

27. Oxylophus — seems to be different of O.
agetaginens. — very often 4-5 feet high
very strait. grow in deep sands.

I will pay special attention about
what you say about grapes, and cacys
and try to collect good specimens.
here is the list of my botanical works.

Michaux Flora boreali americana

André Michaux's histoire des arbres forestiers
de l'amerique septentrionale

Dod. Gray. synoptical flora of america
(part II).

Watson Gnider

Wood, botanist and florist

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Chapman, flora of the southern states
young flora of texas
and many pamphlets and contributions,
from Dad Gray and S. Watson.
I also subscribe for the botanical bulletin
and gazette, and for the great work
on flora of N. America by Dad
Eaton.
most of my plants has been examined by
Dad Gray and Watson and many correction
made by them. in fact the only reliable
complete work I have (the flora of Gray).
Cover both a part of the american
flora for the balance I am much in
trouble and any contribution from botanist
will be considered a great favor to
me.
hoping to hear from you soon
I remain very truly and respectfully
yours J. Reverchon

I have published Mr. Reverchon's name.

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Rec May 26
Ans same day

Dallas. May. 30th. 1879.

Geo. Engelmann. M.D.
St Louis.

Dear Sir

I have been very sorry to learn you have been in trouble and to have bother you in such time; Receive also many thanks for the trouble bother in naming my specimens. I have taken good note of what you say about them.

I still look upon the fruits of our several grapes: as the good specimen of them. I have already sent a specimen of each of our species. viz. Vitis candicans, Vitis estivalis (var. linecumii) — Vitis estivalis var. cinerea. and Vitis cordifolia —

The first to blow is V. candicans. The next is linecumii and cordifolia started at the same time and the last V. cinerea. This blows 8-12 days after the cordifolia!

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I mail for you a small parcel containing a few nuts of a species of Juglans found this winter by Prof. J. Bell at Fort Griffin. The tree grows 10-12 feet high, and seems quite different from nigra.

Yours truly

S. Reverchon

P.S. I hope to visit Dr Torrey in a few days and find several interesting things.

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Rec Jan 25th
Ans — 28

Dallas Jan. 21st. 1881.

Dr. G. Engelmann —

Dear sir —

Last summer I sent you some specimens but I learned afterward that you were not at home, hoping that you have come back to-day I sent you a small collection of vitis, ~~trees~~ and four others of which I like you would give the correct name, I have added two plants of my discovery, supposing you will be glad to have them in your collection hoping that my package will reach you in safety and give you some satisfaction. I remain very truly

J. Reverchon

notes on some plants sent to

Dod. Jes. Engelmann. by J. Rexford.

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846 Euphorbia preslii Jen. — cannot see the differ
with E. hypericifolia of Patterson.

1 Euphorbia — Damp prairies. — May — 1880,

857. = — — Sands. — Summer.

87 Yucca mexicana Helm. — is that the true name?

883 Celtis mississippiensis? — Woods. the ⅔ of low
forest. grow also on dry upland.

884 — canadensis? — rocks on dry rocky
bluffs

1207. Carya porcina — only one small tree
with smooth bark. cannot find any nuts,

669 Cuscuta. — this species accordingly to your
statement this may be a new species.

918 Salix (given as longifolia but it is more
doubtful) — along the waters.

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Nov Dec 9 Dallas. Dec 6th 1881.
Ans — 12

Dear Sir.

At the late hour I took notice to sent you a few plants for identification.

Stn Marsilea n°1 I believe is quadrifolia: and n°2 is probably the same with little difference. Due probably to the place they grow. n°1 grow in fresh water and n° 2 in stagnant pool, drying in summer.

Scutellaria n°1. Was first named by Dr. Gray Drummondii: but after I had stated to him it was perennial he said that must be another species. Can you send it again to S. Watson. who to label it: Wrightii. that I think is a mistake.

Sc. n° 2 Was named by Dr. Gray Wrightii; and I think correct.

Sc. n. 3. Was named by writer Drummondii. Which I believe is correct.

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no 1 seems to be not described in the flora of north america. it is perennial grows abundantly on calcareous rocky prairies.

no 2 is perennial is abundant on the bray-timbers in rocky prairies often mixed with no 1.

no 3. is annual. found in rich bottom land. the only place I have collect it thus far is Village creek (Lawrence Co).

I hope you will be able to repeat soon of those plants. and accept my heartfel thanks by anticipation

Very truly yours.

G. Revenel

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Rose Cottage near Dallas. Jan. 18th. 1882.

Rec Jan 28
Ans — —

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.

Dear Doctor

I mail for you a little package of plants. containing the rotten leaves of the conifer oak. (it lost its leaves every winter). 1 callitriche. (heterophylla) 1 polygonum (Raeana Eng.) found in the streets of Dallas. 1 Celtis, (reticulata) collected on Comanche's peak. in Oct. it seems different from all others specimens that I have, by its dentate floreles leaves: it is a small tree growing on rocks. 1 specimen of. what I take for Juniperus occidentalis v. Texana: of which I have no description all I know; that is differ from J. Virginiana. by a bigger berry and a very different appearance it grow at the top of Comanche's peak and on second high bluffs along the Brazos.

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and finally several plants of Scutellaria brevifolia. unfortunately the flowers have lost their beautiful dark blue color. the plant grows on ~~rocks~~ bluffs of limestone rocks.

I will try this year to collect along the pacific R. Road. as far as the Guadalupe Mountains; a country, I think but little explored by botanists.

I thank you for the trouble you have taken about my plants especially for the scutellaria. the plant in question is undoubtly a biennial but as you say not a true perennial. the flowers are also longer than are named by me. S. drummondii. this is positively annual. but it may be nothing but forms.

Very truly yours.

G. Reverchon.

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Rose Cottage near Dallas. Feb. 4th. 1882.

Rec Febr 6th

Dear Doctor

I thank you for the names you have kindly furnished me. You seems to be interested in Carex; I think I could find 4 or 5 species about here.

I am perfectly satisfied that my Juniperus from the Comanche's peak is J. Conjungens. I had a good specimen from nature that I compare with yours and with the help of your paper on Juniper I convince myself of the fact.

As for the polygonum tenue I am afraid that I may not find it again; having collected my specimens in the west of Dallas. But I may found it somewhere else!

We have here two species. P. cupicola and P. angustifolia

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(probably var. mollis, or the leaves are not very stiff). this last one is very common it is possible that there is another species, having the appearance of J. filamentosa but I have not observed it very carefully. the J. rapicola grows in one or two spots in western parts of the county: but it is common in the rocky prairies on the other side of the Lower Cross timbers

If I can accomplish my trip in the Pecos region, I hope to come across several other species of yuccas besides many other interesting things

Believe me yours very truly

J. Reverchon.

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Rec'd Dec 1st
A — 2

Rose Cottage (near Dallas) Nov. 26th 1882

Dr. Leo. Engelmann.

St Louis Mo.

Dear Doctor.

I have been very busy answering some of your questions but I had many books and have been a long time hunting for information about the leaves. Most of the species don't grow here and from what information I have received from scientific persons the species differ in the size of the leaves and which long leaves of a good quality, other persons has much the same thing. Similar planting on the borders of flakes of the fruits were ripe in September the berries were large along white, of medium quality, without taste, I will try and

to Tobin next year to live. Last year

that has come in handiest when for the botanist and the paper grower on account of the work (as Durand & Vail have examined) a good many specimens in the county. They are very uniformly the same with the exception of the leaves, sometimes entire and sometimes more or less lobed. The lobed leaves on young shoots or such large ones on both sides are regularly lobed. The 2 collected of the small ones are readily. I had collected some seed pods according to your but by some unaccountable way I could not find them when needed. But as I had sent some to Prof. Letterman & hope he has shown them to you. All I can say is that according most other ones, the way in size and shape from to

I have mailed to you a little package containing several specimens of the Q. Durandi v. argentea; with those of the

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Mrs Mr Hellerman. has taken with him—
Jas Will Ivins; no difficulty in establishing
the characters of that — or L. stenopa.
no 3 seems to be a form of L. stellata
it is the same I sent you across the sea
ago.
no 4. is another form of dwarf oak.
a scrubby bush. about 3–6 feet high
making dense thickets in the sandiest
parts of the border (Post-timber); seen
the male flowers in april. but in botanizing
neglected at the time to collect any.
no 5 is the — variety of Quercus stellata
the same you had formerly from me.
this grows in sands. in post-oak. has a stony
bark. I thought it was the tomentosa
of Buckley; We have no other variety except
the white Quercus V. cinerea — that is quite
different; it has no grey tints. long branch
in a grain. climbs very high & round in
rich ta. along the the streams.
× of. vitis cordifolia

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I accompanying three sheets which I am ad-
ding to my collection + hope that it may
answer. to have the names. of one
or two that have been named. from
specimens at Harvard. next time we meet,
I can tell you more easily than
now for correction.

No 1. grows abundantly in the vicinity
of the Brazos. — in the valley as well
as upon the prairies. — grows erect or trailing.

No 2. grows here, in Sandy land. begin
to bloom, when quite small. and as soon
as February. generally the stem is already
on the ground from cattle &c. the head
always much smaller than it is.

If you take any interest in asclepias
I can send you 5 or 6 species that have
no name yet (that is to say that
could not be made out at first glance at
Harvard, having no pretension to think
they will ever be named.

Believe me dear Doctor sincerely your
affectionate. J. Bernardino.

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Rose Cottage. Dec 27th. 1882.

Rec Dec 29

Dr J. Engelmann.

Dear Doctor.

I think I have found out the *Umbellifera* that puzzle you. You will find indeed the description as I found it on a book of *Explorations and Surveys*; and as it may happen that you have not the book in your possession I transcribe all that is said about the plants.

In the botanical Order of Watson, it is given as Synonim of *Opium Poppi*. but you will see yourself that the description don't fit that plant. and seems to correspond with mine in every way.

The plant is very common on the Plains. Most of the upper Cross-Timbers. I first found it on Indian

creek in Brown Co. and from there to the headwaters of the Concho and the Colorado, it is generally a broad valley in the valley a good many were dry and in seed in Sept. in Southwestern Texas no ripe seeds. previously I had found few specimen on the banks of the Guadalupe (in this county) coming without doubt of the headwaters of that river

hoping that these note will be of use to you I remain,

Dear Doctor

yours most truly.

J. Reverchon.

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Rec Febr 23 Rose cottage Feb. 19th. 1883.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann →

Dear Doctor.

Last year you had the kindness to name for me several plants I had brought from the western part of Texas. among them was a Androcheme Baccatum, Mühl, a small shrub ~~the other in Lou~~ there is another plant of the same genus growing abundantly in rocky prairies. When name was given to me as Phyllanthus polygenoides the other Day looking in my herbarium I find on the label as synonim of the same plant Androcheme Baccatum Nat.

I have inclosed a small specimen so you can judge by yourself and give the right name and by so doing oblige greatly.

Very truly and respectfully yours.

L. Reverchon (Coryell Co.)

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P.S. The plant herewith included is a small perennial. But not woody at all.

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